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1) Given a function to be as in equation (1)

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$$

$x \rightarrow 3$

$$f(x) = ?$$

2) The model of a system has been developed by an engineer to be as given in equation (2)

$$f(x) = 5x - 21$$

Given that $a = -1$ and using a step of 0.01 demonstrate in tabular form that limit of the model as $x \rightarrow 6$ is equal to 9.

$f(x)$	$9 - \theta$	$9 + \theta$	$f(x)$
8.50	5.90	6.10	9.50
8.55	5.91	6.09	9.45
8.60	5.92	6.08	9.40
8.65	5.93	6.07	9.35
8.70	5.94	6.06	9.30
8.75	5.95	6.05	9.25
8.80	5.96	6.04	9.20
8.85	5.97	6.03	9.15
8.90	5.98	6.02	9.10
8.95	5.99	6.01	9.05
9.00	6.00	6.00	9.00

Since the right hand limit (RHL) and left hand limit (LHL) are equal to 9
Therefore,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 6} (5x - 21) = 9$$

$x \rightarrow 6$

3) find the limit of the model given as

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 5^+} \frac{8-x}{|8-x|}$$

Solution

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{3-x}{|3-x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^+} \frac{3-(3+x)}{|3-(3+x)|} = \frac{-x^0}{x} = -\frac{1}{1}$$

4) Evaluate the limit of the model given as $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x-3}{|x-3|}$

Solution

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \frac{x-3}{|x-3|}$$

$$= \frac{3-3}{|3-3|} = \text{undefined}$$

: undefined. The limit does not exist.

5) Show that the function given in the equation below is continuous on the interval $f(x) = \sqrt{x-4}$

x	$f(x)$
4	0
5	1.0
6	1.4
7	1.7
8	2.0

